

NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE LIBRARY.

TOWN OF
PLAISTOW
NEW HAMPSHIRE



Annual Report of the Selectmen, Treasurer,
Collector, Board of Health, Board of Education
and Trustees of the Public Library for the
year ending February 15, 1907, with the Vital
Statistics for the year 1906, as prepared by the
Town Clerk.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, COLLECTOR,
BOARD OF HEALTH, BOARD OF EDUCATION,
TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OF THE

Town of Plaistow, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1907

TOGETHER WITH

THE VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1906 AS
PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK

THE CHASE PRESS
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1907

TOWN OFFICERS

OFFICERS BIENNIALY ELECTED

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT

JOSEPH S. HILLS.

MODERATOR

DANIEL M. PEASLEE.

SUPERVISORS

DANIEL J. KELLEHER, FRANK J. PAYNE,
ALGERNON A. SAWYER

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY

SELECTMEN

JOHN W. SLEEPER, FORREST S. DAVIS,
JOHN W. PEASLEE.

TREASURER

JOSEPH S. HILLS.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

JOHN H. NOYES.

TOWN CLERK,
JOSEPH S. HILLS.

CONSTABLE,
FRED E. WAKEFIELD.

ROAD AGENTS,
CHARLES E. DENONCOUR, EPHRAIM A.
KIMBALL, CHARLES E. DAY.

BOARD OF HEALTH.
JOHN H. NOYES, ARTHUR E. HOYT,
DR. E. A. LANDMAN.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.
MRS. JENNIE B. DAVIS, MISS SUSAN F. CASS,
MISS CORA B. POLLARD.

AUDITORS.
EDSON E. PEASLEE,
CHARLES H. HASELTINE.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW

April 1, 1906

231 polls	\$23,100 00
150 horses	12,435 00
154 cows	4,104 00
17 other neat stock	280 00
350 fowl	200 00
Carriages	600 00
Stock in trade	14,700 00
Mills	8,700 00
Land and buildings	315,246 00

	\$379,365 00

APPROPRIATIONS MADE AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 13, 1906

State tax	\$ 635 00
County tax	995 69
School money required by law	952 50
School money in addition to that required by law	700 00
School supplies	75 00
Public Library	100 00
Town Bond	500 00
Note	500 00
Interest on bonds and notes	650 00
Town officers	400 00
Snow paths	300 00
To repair highways	948 41
State aid for highways	200 00
Police Court	100 00
Overlaid	252 19
To maintain the poor	200 00
Miscellaneous	500 00

	\$8,008 79

TREASURER'S REPORT

DR.	To cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1906	\$1,098 96
	Received from Town clerk, dog licenses .	240 00
"	" Bank, interest on deposits	7 10
"	" John H. Noyes, Collector, 1904	\$ 36 40
"	" John H. Noyes, Collector, 1904, Interest	1 00
"	" John H. Noyes, Collector, 1905	961 72
"	" John H. Noyes, Collector, 1905, Interest	24 15
"	" John H. Noyes, Collector, 1906	6,864 92
	 Total from Collector	 7,888 19
	Received from State, on account of highway	\$550 62
"	" County, on account of de- pendent soldiers	80 00
"	" County, on account of poor	124 71
"	" State, Railroad tax	142 06
"	" " Savings Bank tax	40 72
"	" " Literary fund	123 83
"	" " Proportion of School fund	296 98
"	" " High school tuition	4 89
"	" Geo. H. Tucker, rent of hall	55 60
"	" John H. Noyes, fines, Police court	37 00
"	" John H. Noyes, account of Police court	100 00
	 Total receipts	 \$10,790 06

JOSEPH S. HILLS, Treasurer.

Cr.	By paying Selectmen's orders	\$8,949 77
"	" Bond	500 00
"	" Note	500 00
"	" Interest on bonds	530 00
"	" " " notes	83 00
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	Total disbursements	\$10,562 77
	Cash on hand and in bank	227 29
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		\$10,790 06

JOSEPH S. HILLS, Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1904.

DR. To uncollected taxes	\$ 42 40
CR. By cash paid Treasurer	\$ 36 40
By abatements	6 00
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	\$ 42 40
Interest paid	1 00

JOHN H. NOYES, Collector.

1905.

DR. To uncollected taxes	\$987 32
CR. By cash paid Treasurer	\$961 72
By abatements	25 60
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	\$987 32
Interest paid	24 15

JOHN H. NOYES, Collector.

1906.

DR. To amount submitted	\$8,008 79
CR. By cash paid Treasurer	\$6,864 92
By abatements	31 93
By uncollected taxes	1,111 94
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	\$8,008 79

JOHN H. NOYES, Collector.

ABATEMENTS

1904

George Foote, poor	\$ 2 00
George Sargent, poor	2 00
Tom Newcomb, left town	2 00
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	\$ 6 00

1905

Ernest F. Cass, taxed in Haverhill	\$ 2 00
James Dunbar, left town	2 00
George W. Downer, poor	2 00
George Foote, poor	2 00
Edmund Gosselin, taxed in Manchester	2 00
John H. Knight, taxed in Lawrence	2 00
Harry Lucier, taxed in Haverhill	2 00
Thomas L. Newcomb, not here	2 00
George W. Sole, taxed in Lawrence	2 00
Pat J. Shaw, not here	2 00
John McKay, soldier	2 00
Byron Reynolds, moved out of town	3 60
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	\$ 25 60

1906.

Exeter, Hampton & Amesbury Street Railway overtaxed	\$ 10 50
George W. Downer, poor	2 10
George Foote, poor	2 53
Oliver A. Fecteau, left town	2 10
Edmund Gosselin, taxed in Manchester	2 10
Joseph Gilman, not here	2 10
John Hunkins, soldier	2 10
Lorenzo B. Hines, soldier	2 10
John P. Sanborn, over 70	2 10
— Titus, taxed in Haverhill	2 10
Henry Aucoin, not in town	2 10
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	\$ 31 93

TOWN OFFICERS

Paid John W. Sleeper, Selectman and Overseer of the Poor	\$ 75 00
Forrest S. Davis, Selectman	15 00
John W. Peaslee, Selectman	10 00
Joseph S. Hills, Treasurer	25 00
Joseph S. Hills, Town Clerk	25 00
John H. Noyes, Collector, 1904-'05-'06 . .	157 75
George A. Denoncour, Moderator, 1905-'06	7 00
A. DeF. Palmer, School Board	25 00
Algernon A. Sawyer, School Board	20 00
Charles H. Haseltine, School Board	15 00
H. A. Davis, Ballot Inspector	3 00
Charles H. Haseltine, Auditor	3 00
Frank J. Payne, Supervisor	8 00
Joseph S. Hills, Supervisor and Check List	8 00
Joseph S. Hills, Bond, and School Auditing	11 00
D. J. Kelleher, Supervisor, 1905-'06 . . .	13 00
H. O. Gosselin, Ballot Inspector	3 00
James M. Davis, Ballot Clerk	3 00
John W. Sleeper, Inspector	3 00
Frank J. Payne, Dog Officer	10 00

\$439 75

POLICE COURT

Paid John H. Noyes, Judge	\$100 00
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POLICE

Paid F. S. Davis, Sanborn case	11 41
F. S. Davis, service Nov. 6	2 50
John Badger, service election day	2 00
John Badger, care of tramps	2 50
George H. Tucker, care of tramps	6 00

\$ 24 41

BOARD OF HEALTH

Paid John H. Noyes	\$ 7 40
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PUBLIC TAX

State tax	\$635 00
County tax	995 69

	\$1 630 69

SCHOOLS

Amount appropriated, required by law	952 50
Amount appropriated additional	700 00
Supplies	75 00
Literary fund	123 83
State School fund	296 98
Dog licenses	187 50

	\$2,335 81
Amount paid Treasurer	2,148 31

Balance due Schools	\$ 187 50

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Amount appropriated	\$ 100 00
Amount paid Treasurer	\$ 100 00

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS

Paid for Richard B. Watson	\$ 80 00
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COUNTY POOR

Paid for J. C. Averill	\$111 36
George Downer	2 10
John B. Shedd	8 00
George H. Tucker, conveying Dan Smith to Brentwood	4 00

	\$125 46

TOWN POOR

Paid for A. Pinette	\$ 78 00
Mary Hooke	36 75

	\$114 75

DIPHTHERIA

Paid M. N. Eastman, for L. Bergeron	\$ 15 00
Theo. Fecteau, " "	5 31
E. A. Landman, M. D. "	41 00
John B. Lucier	36 75
G. M. Gates	7 50
John W. Sleeper, for Frank Kelley	9 37
E. A. Landman, M. D. "	47 50
" " for Mr. Andrews	30 50
" " disinfecting	47 00

	\$239 93

SNOW PATHS

Paid O. B. Williams	\$ 40
T. Walton	4 20
E. A. Kimball	4 80
Frank N. Gauvin	2 80
Edward Castle	2 50
Charles E. Day	15 92
E. C. Smart	75
Albert Pickard	75
W. R. Harriman	1 65
H. F. Peaslee	90
E. E. Peaslee	20 00
P. Newcomb	1 50
John P. Sanborn	75
George Cheney	11 00
Joab Peaslee	6 45

	\$ 74 37

BRIDGES

Paid C. C. Smith, repairs	\$ 1 00
E. E. Peaslee, lumber and work	13 04
John W. Sleeper, spikes	2 50
G. Harris, lumber and work	2 50
Colby Brothers, lumber	96 72

	\$115 76

HIGHWAY

Paid Edward Castle	\$ 11 00
Ernest Brouillette	4 50
Charles E. Denoncour	284 10
E. A. Kimball	100 58
Henry Brouillette	2 25
Patrick Newcomb	97 83
Jerry J. Castle	12 75
A. W. Sawyer	238 00
D. R. Harriman	5 62
W. H. Ryder	3 00
F. C. Wheeler	38 25
G. S. Towle	158 00
Frank N. Gauvin	7 55
Philip Dupont	15 00
Edward Barnaby	3 75
Benjamin F. Brothers	3 00
George A. Brothers	6 75
C. W. Keniston	24 00
T. Walton	1 37
C. Smith	11 40
J. E. Peaslee	34 50
Arthur Labonta	4 50
P. Britton	4 50
Charles H. Haseltine	24 00
George Kelly	5 25
New Hampshire Brick Co.	103 95
John M. Kimball	3 00

Paid John Lucier	\$ 1 50
Elizabeth C. Barrows	16 00
Fred Brousseau	4 50
Charles E. Day	50 29
H. O. Gosselin	7 50
E. E. Peaslee	42 00
John H. Kelley	1 50
Octave Dupont	1 50
B. Sawyer	50
	———— \$1,333 69

The principal part of the Highway money was spent in Westville, from Denoncour's to the North Parish church, from Forrest O. Jones's to James M. Davis's, and at Clark's Hill, Dow's Corner, and Kingston Road.

MISCELLANEOUS

Paid E. H. Nichols, printing Town reports	\$ 39 60
E. A. Kimball, delivering Town reports	2 50
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	32 44
John W. Sleeper, "	2 50
George H. Tucker, "	5 11
John H. Noyes, tax bills, postage, envelopes	6 90
C. E. Crockett, labor	2 25
Jenney Mfg. Co., gasoline	19 19
W. E. Frost, blacksmith work	1 75
Albert E. Nichols, Town line	4 00
Town of Kingston, one-half expense Town	
line	8 15
E. E. Peaslee, repairs Road machine	3 50
Charles E. Day, public watering place	3 00
Elizabeth A. Clement, " "	3 00
Moses B. Dow, " "	3 00
George H. Tucker, care of Town hall	50 00
Charles H. Cox, coal	15 00
A. J. Sawyer, Insurance	60 00
B. T. Pickard, dinners and lunches	15 00
G. J. Hill, overtax	2 00

Paid Kelly Brothers, overtax	8 40
E. E. Peaslee, finish for Library	1 35
W. K. Seaver, labor in Library	1 60
Cora B. Pollard, preparing catalogue, accession book and class list for Library	10 00
Rev. F. G. Deshaies, returning marriages	75
E. A. Landman, M.D., returning births and deaths	6 25
Joseph S. Hills, dog license fees	18 60
Joseph S. Hills, postage, stationery, telephone	2 08
Joseph S. Hills, returns, marriages, births, deaths	7 50
Joseph S. Hills, copying records	150 75
I. M. Heath, Justice's fees	9 50
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	88
American Express Co.	1 05
D. J. Kelleher, 282 loads gravel	28 20
G. Harris, gravel and splitting stones	1 65
Jacob Brown, 342 loads grade	17 10
A. W. Sawyer, 282 loads grade	28 20
C. W. Keniston, grade	2 70
John M. Kimball, 3 loads grade	15
Ned S. Sleeper, 501 loads grade	50 10
Atkinson Academy, for tuition of Carl Sawyer, Annie Sawyer and Edna West	27 00
Robinson Seminary, for tuition of Harriet Smith and Jennie Merritt	54 00
Sanborn Seminary, for tuition of William P. Warner, Howard P. Davis, and Earle W. Graffam	40 00

	\$746 70
STATE HIGHWAY	
Town contribution	\$1,129 50
State contribution	677 40

	\$1,806 90

Paid James E. Watkins	\$1,668 55
Deducted by State, for Engineer	126 78
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	\$1,795 33

Balance on hand	\$ 11 57
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RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$ 439 75
Police Court	100 00
Police	24 41
Board of Health	7 40
State Tax	635 00
County Tax	995 69
Schools	2,148 31
Public Library	100 00
Dependent Soldiers	80 00
County Poor	125 46
Town Poor	114 75
Diphtheria	239 93
Snow Paths	74 37
Bridges	115 76
Highway	1,333 69
Miscellaneous	746 70
State Highway	1,668 55
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	\$8,949 77

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

Due on Town bonds	\$14,000 00
Due on Town notes	1,500 00
Dog licenses for 1905, '06	427 50
Highway fund	11 57

	\$15,939 07

ASSETS

Due from John H. Noyes, 1906	\$1,111 94
Due from County, account of poor	8 00
Leverett Webster tax bought by the town	1 85
John Whittaker tax bought by the town	1 85
James C. Merrill, balance due on damage to Wentworth road	13 29
Cash in Treasury Feb. 15, 1907	227 29

	\$ 1,364 22
Balance against the Town, Feb. 15, 1907 . . .	\$14,574 85

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. SLEEPER,

FORREST S. DAVIS,

JOHN W. PEASLEE,

Selectmen of Plaistow.

PLAISTOW, N. H., Feb. 27, 1907.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the Town of Plaistow for the year ending February 15 1907, and find the accounts properly kept, and proper vouchers for all expenditures, except in case of orders No. 132 and 154.*

EDSON E. PEASLEE,
CHARLES H. HASELTINE,
Auditors.

* Receipts received after the accounts were audited.

DOG LICENSES 1906

75 Male dogs 1 year at \$2.00	\$150 00
18 Female dogs 1 year at \$5.00	90 00
—	\$240 00
93 Licenses, at 20 cents each, Clerk's fee	18 60
—	\$221 40

JOSEPH S. HILLS,

Clerk of Plaistow.

RECORD OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1906.

Date	Name of Child	Male or Female	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 7	Adela Delotia Andrews	female	Edward C. Andrews	Asenath M. Ogden
Feb. 27	Leonard Fountaine	male	Henry Fountaine	Rebecca Dupont
March 16	Leona LeBonte	female	Arthur LeBonte	Mary Fountaine
March 30	Alfred Kelly	male	George A. Kelly	Lorana Sargent
April 8	Blanche LaFountaine	female	Gustave LaFountaine	Mary Dupont
April 25	Vartavosch Gulezian	female	Mgedich Gulezian	Nowast Merejanian
May 6	George Elbert Fitzgerald	male	F. F. Fitzgerald	Lurleen Nutting
May 11	Katherine Dorothy West	female	Martin R. West	Fannie B. Flamig
May 15	—— West	male	John F. West	Ida Webb
May 17	Catherine Louise Robinson	female	Harry F. Robinson	Jessie Williams
May 31	Madeline Estelle Senter	female	Charles W. Senter	Lillian E. Dunn
June 19	John F. Greene	male	John W. Greene	Maggie Noonan
July 1	Helen Irene Kenney	female	Dominick J. Kenney	Rozella E. Cass
July 23	Sarah Jane Castle	female	Edward Castle	Sarah Johnson
August 9	Joseph E. Odette	male	Edgar Odette	Eliza Bailey
August 13	Mary A. LeBeau	female	Henry LaBeau	Marie Thebeault
Oct. 7	Rooban Tarvitian	male	Mickael Tarvitian	Nazanig Boyajian
Oct. 8	Mariam Gertrude Flanders	female	Harry W. Flanders	Sula M. Hall
Oct. 17	Bert F. P. Downer	male	George Downer	Lizzie B. Gray
Nov. 2	Donna Bayley	female	Warren C. Bayley	Dolly Perry
Dec. 17	Ohannas Gulezian	female	Kinkor Gulezian	Palasiton Chakmain
Dec. 30	Joseph H. Gaudreault	male	Eli Gaudreault	Lora Tremblay

A true record. Attest:

JOSEPH S. HILLS, Town Clerk.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1906.

Date	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence	Age	Birthplace	By Whom Married
Feb. 11	William Edward Ford	Haverhill, Mass.	19	Newburyport, Mass.	Rev. Charles A. Towne,
	Edna Evelyn Merrill	Haverhill, Mass.	19	Haverhill, Mass.	Plaistow, N. H.
June 25	Jean Tremblay	Plaistow, N. H.	28	Canada	Rev. F. G. Deshaies,
	Minala Fecteau	Plaistow, N. H.	22	Lowell, Mass.	Plaistow, N. H.
Sept. 2	Sarkis Gulezian	Plaistow, N. H.	24	Turkey	Rev. S. H. Babasianian,
	Armanhy Davaajan	Plaistow, N. H.	20	Turkey	Providence, R. I.
Sept. 15	Anastose Fecteau	Plaistow, N. H.	22	Lowell, Mass.	Rev. F. G. Deshaies,
	M. Blanche Mondor	Plaistow, N. H.	21	Canada	Plaistow, N. H.
Sept. 16	Joseph Cote	Plaistow, N. H.	23	Canada	Rev. F. G. Deshaies,
	Mercelise Tremblay	Plaistow, N. H.	19	Canada	Plaistow, N. H.
Sept. 28	George Ashlin	Haverhill, Mass.	22	Lewiston, Me.	Rev. Charles A. Towne,
	Laura B. Gordon	Haverhill, Mass.	20	London, Eng.	Plaistow, N. H.
Sept. 29	Arthur H. Harrington	New York City	50	Worcester, Mass.	Rev. Albert D. F. Palmer,
	May L. George	Danvers, Mass.	33	Plaistow, N. H.	Plaistow, N. H.
Oct. 24	Frank O. Brown	Lynn, Mass.	25	Lynn, Mass.	Rev. Albert D. F. Palmer,
	Cora Belle Booth	Plaistow, N. H.	19	Haverhill, Mass.	Plaistow, N. H.
Dec. 15	Timothy Collahan	Haverhill, Mass.	26	Mallow, Ireland	James M. Davis, J. of P.,
	Zoe Estelle Emerson	Haverhill, Mass.	19	Haverhill, Mass.	Plaistow, N. H.
Dec. 31	John M. Gilman	Everett, Mass.	49	Alton, N. H.	Rev. Charles A. Towne,
	Gladys M. Blackadar	Somerville, Mass.	39	Yarmouth N. S.	Plaistow, N. H.

A true record. Attest:

JOSEPH S. HILLS, Town Clerk.

RECORD OF DEATHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1906.

Date	Name of Deceased	Age Yrs. Mos. Dys.	Place of Birth	Cause of Death	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 15	Hannah T. Pearl	61 9	Boxford, Mass.	Arterio Sclerosis	Joseph Warren	Louisa Towne
Feb. 4	Annie D. Hill	57 1	Fryeburgh, Me.	Canceroma Uteri	James Guptill	Mehitable Irish
Feb. 22	Ellen B. Mains	66	Waterville, Me.	Pneumonia	John B. Hodsdon	Nancy Yates
Mar. 21	Sol'm'n N.Cummings	78	22 Parkman, Me.	Senile Debility	Amine C.Cummings	Brittania —
Aug. 14	Isaac N. Cass	59 5	5 Hampstead, N. H.	Mediastinal Tumor	Samuel Cass	Rosella Peaslee
Aug. 17	John F. Greene	1	29 Plaistow, N. H.	Inanition	John W. Greene	Maggie Noonan
Sept. 15	Mary Frances Hook	72 4	Chester, N. H.	Goitre	John W. Hook	Nancy J. Brown
Oct. 20	Walter Melv. Hudson	19 2	Plaistow, N. H.	Suicide by shooting	Henry C. Hudson	Ella R. Johnson
Oct. 23	Richard B. Watson	74 9	14 Charlestown, Mass.	Chronic Nephritis	Benjamin Watson	Nancy Gragg
Oct. 31	Faith R. Osgood	3	16 Haverhill, Mass.	Asphyxiation	A. H. Osgood	Nettie F. Hall
Nov. 16	Nettie E. Hill	45 8	Berwick, Me.	Carcinoma Uteri	Isaac S. Lord	Martha E. Smith

A true record. Attest:

JOSEPH S. HILLS, Town Clerk.

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

The report of the Trustees of the Public Library is hereby submitted.

The Librarian's report is as follows:

Fifty-three new cards have been issued during the year, making a total of 648 cards. Number of books loaned, 3,684, classified as follows: Fine Arts 8; Biography 33; Poetry 16; Descriptive, 28; Fiction 3,401; History 32; Literature 22; Miscellaneous 3; Natural Science 39; Religion 6; Sociology 19; Travels 41; Periodicals 36. Number of volumes added 169, making a total of 2,054.

Books have been presented to the Library by Judge C. S. Lilley, E. A. Kimball, Warren Flanders, Mary A. Page and a number were given by a friend whose name we are not at liberty to disclose. Miss Page's gift was ten years' publication of the New England Magazine, making twenty volumes.

One hundred dollars' was received from Arthur G. Pollard. This enabled us to have placed 100 feet of movable shelves, which were much needed, as well as to largely increase the number of books.

A fine picture of the late Francis W. Flanders has been hung on the walls of the reading room by his family. Mr. Flanders served efficiently on the board of trustees, being a member of the board at the time of his death.

We are pleased to note that nearly 1,500 more books have been taken from the library this year than last. This increase of interest in the town and the kindness of out of town friends is very gratifying.

JENNIE B. DAVIS,
SUSAN F. CASS,
CORA B. POLLARD,

Trustees.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DR. To cash in treasury Feb. 1, 1906	\$ 1 58
Received from Town	100 00
" " Hon. A. G. Pollard	100 00
" " fines from librarian	6 46

	\$208 04
CR. To Warren Brown, History of Hampton . . .	\$ 2 00
J. D. Pearson, 1 set of books, Our Country	18 00
F. J. Barnard & Co., binding magazines .	11 75
Insurance on books	4 00
W. K. Seaver, lumber, varnish and work	
on book shelves	17 78
Cardboard signs for library	1 00
Expense in buying books	3 10
Supplies	2 50
Express and postage	31
Mitchell & Co., for books	111 75
Susan F. Cass, salary as librarian	26 00
Librarian, for services Wednesday evenings	
from Sept. 12 to Nov. 14	3 00
Cash to balance	6 85

	\$208 04

SUSAN F. CASS, Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
TOWN OF PLAISTOW

Our schools have all been in session thirty-six weeks during the past year. With one exception the work done has been satisfactory. We were obliged to make a change of the teacher in the South District on such short notice, in the fall, that we had not time to secure an experienced teacher, and the school was not a success. The last term the school has been taught by Miss Tucker and has given good satisfaction. Miss Williams and Miss Mac Gibbon have continued in the North Main St. and Clark schools, doing good and satisfactory work. Miss Curran, a graduate of the Salem Normal School, succeeded Miss Lawrence in Westville and has proved a very efficient and successful teacher. Miss Messer, who had shown her ability as a teacher in the Pollard Primary and other schools in town, was promoted to the Pollard Grammar School, in the fall, where she has continued the faithful and conscientious service for the pupils which she has ever shown in our schools. She was succeeded in the Pollard Primary by Miss Bassett, a teacher of experience and enthusiasm in her work, who spares no labor to awaken a like enthusiasm in her pupils and gain their love. Her work has been highly satisfactory to both School Board and parents.

We are glad to notice more interest in the schools by the parents, as evinced by more frequent visits to the school room. This is especially true of the Pollard Primary and may be due, in part, to the introduction of more modern methods of teaching, which, while they call for more labor on the part of the teacher, give to the child a far diff-

erent start in education from that which we had when young. From the beginning the child is taught to think and mentally grasp something, even though it may be a simple thing, and this is the real beginning of education. In the past it has been too much the committing to memory that which is told without any comprehension of its meaning. If this change in the method of instruction can be accomplished it makes the Primary department of our schools the most important, for after the child has been taught to comprehend what he reads and to reason and think, he can go on to acquire knowledge almost without a teacher. This is well illustrated in all our self-made men, like Lincoln, who became scholars and efficient men with little or no schooling.

We find it difficult to get experienced and capable teachers and are often obliged to run the risk of an untried teacher. Some of these, especially those who have had a Normal training, have proven most satisfactory and efficient. When we have proved the worth of a teacher the school officers of some neighboring city or town stand ready to take them away by offering a larger salary than we are able to pay. We think this town will be obliged to pay higher salaries, in the near future, if we would retain good teachers.

The State Superintendent of Schools is still urging the employment of a District Superintendent by two or more towns, as provided in Chapter 70 of the Laws of 1899. The town has already voted down this proposition but we would keep it before you, to consider whether it would not be for the advantage of our schools. The state would bear one-half the expense, so that the added burden to each town would be small.

The cost for supplies is quite large though we have endeavored to control it as much as possible. The modern methods of teaching call for a free use of paper and many other materials to which we were strangers a few years ago: and if we would have modern teachers we must supply them such materials as they demand. We have not made any changes in the text books and have purchased only such as were needed to supply the demands of the schools. The amount used for supplies the past two years will average nearly \$200 and we think it necessary to provide about that amount in some way.

Besides the usual repairs which are needed every year and for which provision is made from the school fund, every school house in town needs painting and an appropriation should be made every year for this purpose until it is accomplished. We recommend that not less than \$100 be raised this year.

A portion of the fence has been removed from the yard of the Pollard school without the consent of any of the School Board and we wish to disclaim the responsibility for any damage that may result.

We recommend the usual appropriation in addition to that required by law.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

POLLARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—Howard P. Davis.

FALL TERM—Wilder Sleeper, Harold Seaver, Donna Hall, Eda Potvin.

WINTER TERM—Wilder Sleeper, Eda Potvin, Hector Fecteau, Ovide Fecteau.

POLLARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—Albert M. Davis, Bessie Murray, John E. Murray.

FALL TERM—George Alden, Nelson Fecteau, Bessie Murray, Frances Murray, Elizabeth Sultaire, J. Clement Sultaire.

WINTER TERM—Leslie Gebon, Dorothy Gebon, John E. Murray, Althine Tilley.

WESTVILLE SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—Bertha Vigneault, Eleanor Vigneault.

FALL TERM—Willie Goodreau, Willie Coulombe, Philip Coulombe, Alice Coulombe, Mary Lavoie, Eleanor Vigneault.

WINTER TERM—Alice Coulombe, Rosealma Labonte, Eleanor Vigneault.

CLARK SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—Allan Sawyer, Sewall Sawyer.

FALL TERM—Herbert Kenney, Perley Kenney, Allan Sawyer.

WINTER TERM—Edna Wentworth.

SOUTH SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—Arthur Smart, Harold Roberts, Allan Walker, Elizabeth Walker.

FALL TERM—Arthur E. Smart, Etta F. Smart.

NORTH MAIN ST. SCHOOL

SPRING TERM—William Kelly.

WINTER TERM—William Kelly, Minnie C. Kelly, Joseph Demarais.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand	\$ 131 83
Amount raised by taxation	1,652 50
Amount of State School Fund, 1906	296 98
Amount of Literary Fund, 1906	123 83
Received for Elizabeth Morse for tuition	3 00
Received for George Fairchild for tuition	2 50
Received for Gladys Guertin for tuition	6 00
Received for Lizzie Kidson for tuition	2 25
 Total amount	\$2,218 89
Amount of School Expenses to Feb. 15, 1907	2,072 66
 \$ 146 23	

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Amount appropriated	\$ 75 00
Amount expended	177 48
 Appropriation overdrawn	102 48
 Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1907	\$ 43 75
Amount due from town on dog licenses for 1905	\$187 50

POLLARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL, NO. 3

Spring term, paid Miss Mae C. Brooks for teaching 13 weeks at \$10	\$130 00
Fall term, paid Miss Alice M. Messer for teaching 13 weeks at \$10	130 00
Winter term, paid Miss Alice M. Messer for teaching 10 weeks at \$10	100 00

	\$ 360 00

POLLARD PRIMARY SCHOOL, NO. 5

Spring term, paid Miss Alice M. Messer for teaching 13 weeks at \$9	\$117 00
Fall term, paid Miss Grace M. Bassett, for teaching 13 weeks at \$9	117 00
Winter term paid Miss Grace M. Bassett for teaching 10 weeks at \$10	100 00
Paid Horace Kimball, care of both rooms for school year	33 00
C. H. Cox, 5 ton coal	37 50
C. H. Tarlton, broom and bristle brush	60
J. H. Sayward, floor brush	2 50
C. E. Crockett, changing over desks	1 00
A. De F. Palmer, repairs on table	50
E. E. Peaslee, 2 loads kindling	4 00

	\$ 413 10

WESTVILLE SCHOOL, NO. 1

Spring term, paid Miss Eva M. Lawrence for teaching 13 weeks at \$8	\$104 00
Fall term, paid Miss Rosa A. Curran for teaching 13 weeks at \$8	104 00
Winter term, paid Miss Rosa A. Curran for teaching 10 weeks at \$8	80 00
Paid Clovis Dion for building fires and sweeping for school year	15 50

Clovis Dion, sawing 2 cords wood	\$1 50
C. H. Haseltine, sawing wood	75
A. W. Sawyer, 1 cord hard wood	5 00
Charles E. Day, 2 cords hard wood	11 00
Charles Denoncour, 1 day with team, grading .	4 00
C. H. Haseltine, 1 day grading	1 50
E. E. Peaslee, 4 loads kindling	8 00
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	\$335 25

NORTH MAIN ST. SCHOOL, NO. 2

Spring term, paid O. Pauline Williams, teaching 13 weeks at \$7	\$91 00
Fall term, paid O. Pauline Williams, teaching 13 weeks at \$7	91 00
Winter term, paid O. Pauline Williams, teaching 10 weeks at \$7	70 00
Paid O. Pauline Williams, care of school room for school year	16 50
John M. Kimball, 3 cords hard wood	15 00
" 1 cord pine wood	4 00
" sawing	2 00
" putting in shed and piling .	1 00
Daniel Kelly, repairing clock	50
J. H. Sayward, 2 harness snaps	10
C. E. Crockett, putting up maps	1 00
E. E. Peaslee, 1 load kindling	2 00
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	\$294 10

CLARK SCHOOL NO. 6

Spring term, paid Miss Helen B. MacGibbon for teaching 13 weeks at \$7	\$91 00
Fall term, paid Miss Helen B. MacGibbon for teaching 13 weeks at \$7	91 00
Winter term, paid Miss Helen B. MacGibbon for teaching 10 weeks at \$7	70 00
Paid Edward Carter for taking care of room for school year	16 00

A. W. Sawyer, 1 cord hard wood	\$5 00
Charles E. Day, 2 cords hard wood	11 00
C. H. Haseltine, sawing 3 cords wood	2 25
E. E. Babb & Co., 1 flag	2 25
J. H. Sayward, 1 flag rope	75
Hanscom Hardware Co., flag rope	70
E. A. Kimball, putting up flag rope, cleaning out funnel and use of horse 2 trips	1 50
Edward F. Carter, 1 broom	35
" cleaning school house	2 00
E. E. Peaslee, 2 loads kindling	4 00

	\$297 80

SOUTH SCHOOL, NO. 4

Spring term, paid Miss Florence I. Hamblett, teaching 13 weeks at \$8.00	\$104 00
Fall term, paid Miss Mabel Murch, teaching 12 weeks at \$8.00	96 00
Winter term, paid Miss Florence I. Tucker, teach- ing 11 weeks at \$8.00	88 00
Harry Merrifield, building fires and sweeping, spring term	6 00
" sawing 1 cord wood	75
" 1 broom	25
Marion S. Peaslee, sweeping 12 weeks, fall term	3 00
Louise Harriman, sweeping 11 weeks	2 75
Arthur E. Smart, building fires 20 weeks	4 00
" sawing 3 cord wood	2 25
" throwing in kindling	15
" shoveling snow paths	25
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on casting	1 04
E. C. Smart 1 cord hard wood	5 00
Charles E. Day, 3 cords hard wood	16 50
E. E. Babb & Co., 1 flag	2 25

Hanscom Hardware Co., 400 feet flag rope	70
" 4 lights glass	32
" 5 lbs. white lead putty	30
" paper glaziers points .	10
Peoples' House Furnishing Co., 1 desk	20 00
C. E. Crockett, putting down desks	35
" putting up flag rope	1 00
" 9 hours labor	2 25
" sash paint	40
E. E. Peaslee, 1 load kindling	2 00
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	\$359 61

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies	\$164 88
George F. King & Co., supplies	8 35
Chase Brothers, 100 diplomas	4 25
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	\$177 48

SUNDRIES

Pulsifer Paper Co., 1 journal	\$1 00
Miss Mae C. Brooks, 10 yards ribbon	1 35
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on supplies .	1 61
American Express Co., express on supplies . .	55
A. A. Sawyer, postage and stationery	1 54
A. DeF. Palmer, taking census of school children	4 00
Postage	50
C. E. Crockett, 1 quart B. B. slating	1 00
" " 5 hours labor	1 25
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	\$12 80

RECAPITULATION

Pollard Grammar School	\$360 00
Pollard Primary School	413 10
Westville School	335 25
North Main Street School	294 10

South School	359	61
Clark District School	297	80
Books and supplies	177	48
Sundries	12	80

		\$2,250 14

Respectfully submitted,

ALGERNON A. SAWYER,
CHARLES H. HASELTINE,
A. DcF. PALMER.

Board of Education.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Whole number of pupils registered during the year	203
Boys	97
Girls	106
Number under five years of age	1
Number between five and sixteen	199
Average membership in all schools together	152
Average attendance in all schools together	136
Average absence in all schools together	16
Greatest number of scholars in any school	50
Least number	19
Number of scholars attending private schools	10
Number of scholars attending High school out of town	8
Average expense of the current expenses for average membership	\$14 80
Average amount expended for text books and supplies	\$ 87

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